



**North Collier Fire Control and Rescue District
Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) Guidelines for Successful Review or Inspection**

Article Number	FAL 20-07
Effective Date	February 1, 2020
Subject	Campus-Style Fire Alarm Monitoring-Only Permits/Inspections
Objective	Clarify Campus-Style Installation Monitoring-Only Permits/Inspections

BACKGROUND

Applicable Codes require off-site monitoring of fire alarm systems. Campus-style systems typically employ a “Master” Fire Alarm System Control Unit (FACU) interconnected to multiple, separated buildings and/or “Slave” panels. “Master” FACU’s send individually coded signals for each building/”Slave” panel to off-site monitoring. Requiring individual monitoring-only permits for each new building or each building in a monitoring take-over within a campus-style arrangement places a substantial financial burden on ownership with no added level of life safety. Verification of building signals to off-site monitoring can be obtained by additional field inspections with greatly reduced permitting cost.

POLICY/PROCEDURE

Campus-style fire alarm systems with a “Master” FACU transmitting signals to an off-site monitoring station for multiple buildings requires an applicable monitoring permit and applicable inspections verifying each building unique signals/address within the campus-style system. This applies to new installations and/or existing systems monitoring take-over.

Additional inspection fees per building may apply to wireless fire alarm systems or other circumstances/technology requiring multiple/individual building verification of signals transmitted and accurate building addressing.

CODE REFERENCES

69A-48.008 F.A.C.; FFPC NFPA 101-9.6.4.2; NFPA 1-1.12, 13.17.1.10.2; NFPA 72-23.12, 26.2.6, 10.18.5.3, 12.6